

# New-Englands VINDICATION. ⑥

Shewing the Mis-understanding of the  
APPREHENSION

To take all that vast Countrey under the Notion of a particular place of one Patent of *Boston*, the Metropolitan of the *Massachusetts* there, who in these late Times have Acted as a Free State and illegal proceeding, as by the many Books and Complaints by Petition have caused an Odium on the Countrey in general, in vindication to manifest the worth of the Countrey in general, it is as hopeful to enlarge His Majesties Dominions, as if all the Baltick Seas were Annexed to His Empire.

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By HENRY GARDENER Merchant, whose Father was one of the first Adventurers thither, and into other parts of America.

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Courteous Reader,

**M**<sup>R</sup> Father with others, and Capt. John Mafon, having lived long in the Oriental parts of the World, almost as much Eastwards, as New England is Westwards, in the same latitude from 42 to 44 degrees, at great charges procured sundry Patents, as may appear; hoping to fix them and their posterity, propagate the Gospel, and enlarge His Majesties Dominions where never any Christian inhabited, to the vast charges of many 1000 l. as by sundry Books extant, besides the Relation of an old Gentleman in them mentioned, being <sup>Mr. God-</sup> well known to have merited of his own Countrey, in other <sup>fre-</sup> parts, here, and in New-England 27 years in person, is manifest; hath induced me to write these few lines. I find the Countrey no less hopeful to His Majesty, then what we did expect, but under Notion of one particular Patent, of 30 others, now grown great, strong and potent by the Times and friends here. In these most sad times of distraction, the Machechufets of Boston acting as a Free State; have by those proceedings cast an Odium on all that vast Countrey, not onely to be despicable, unprofitable, and matters of other consequence. I thought good to shew so much His Majesties Title to the Countrey, by some



*Collections I have seen from New-found-land to Cape Florida, which were well to be published with the Mapps and Cards: till when this may suffice to shew the unjust proceedings of the said Gentleman of the Colony of Boston, against the said Gentleman and those of the Eastern parts, who were not all of their tenents, but ever acted according to His Majesties Lawes, in taking the Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy, they being of a contrary opinion: and Mr. Hugh Peters and other their Agents made use of their times here, 1652. subjugated all the Eastern parts, and put the Oath of Fidelity to the State, without any Relation to England, to the ruine of some Families. I wish every man may have his Right, and His Majesty his Right Interest: which is all my aime and endeavour. It were good the Mapps and Cards to be Printed, were spherically drawn, each Pattent to be bounded, and their acknowledgements looked unto, what not granted, nor Conditions performed, if His Majesty would Grant, Customers would not be wanting, and a Revenue to His Majesty raised, which will cause Peace and Quiet to the Countrey, and security of His Majesties Interest.*

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To Answer such as say His Majesty KING CHARLES has no Title to that vast Empire, from New-found-land to Cape-Florida: some such there be; others no King but Christ; others Libertines, to do what is good in their own eyes; some Israelites; the rest Egyptians.



Gainst all, His Majesties Right in those parts, is 1. By Discovery from Henry the 7th time, by Sebastian Cabott, for which he had a Pension of 200 Marks per annum. 2. By Possession of Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Sir Richard Greenfield, Sir Walter Rawley in Queen Elizabeths time, named Virginia. After whose death King James of ever blessed memory, peace being concluded, many Sea-men and Souldiers went to serve other Princes; others on Discoveries, as the North-West passage, &c. some fell with the Coast of New-England, and brought home some of the Natives.

So my Lord Popham and others procured Patents, About  
for two 1649

two Colonies to be settled in those parts, one by the Name of *Virginia*; the other of *New-England*.

1607 Then my Lord *Popham* and others sent to inhabite *New-England*, and settled a Colony at *Saquadahock*, the Ruines and fruit Trees remain to this day; but he dying, all fell: Then divers Fishermen went onely to fish; and one *Hunt* at the end of his Voyage, in the *Long-Robert* betrayed 22 of the Natives aboard his Ship, carried them for *Spain*, to sell them for Slaves; (an ill Act) they would not work; the *Spaniard* refused them; some of them brought for *England*: *Hunt* taken by the *Turks* coming home.

1614 By reason of these salvages another Atchievement was made, but it came to nothing.

1615 Sir *Richard Hawkins* went in a Ship of his own, the *Garland*, to make a Fishing-Voyage and Discovery: made a good Voyage, but no Discovery.

1619 His Majesty granted Letters Pattents to the Council of *Plymouth*, and after confirmed by Pattents of

1620 Incorporation to certain Lords, but great troubles arose in Parliament, that it was a Monopoly; of which and other passages, I shall treat hereafter at large.

Then the said Council granted sundry Pattents, as to Capt. *Willeston*, Mr. *Tho. Morton*, some of *Dorchester* and other, to settle in the Bay of the *Machechasetts*.

1621 There were divers of *Robinsons* Tenents of *Amsterdam*, and other Merchants of *London* joyned to settle a Colony nigh *Cape Cod*, now called *New-Plymouth* in *New-England*; *Godfrey* was one, but in two years they brought those that sent them 1800. l. in debt, so that the principat was fain to pay the debt; but since they have flourished and thrived, and do to this day: have well acted



acted for themselves, as the Mode of *New-England* is.

There were divers worthy Gentlemen, desirous to 1621  
separate from the Church of *England*, yet among them- 4<sup>o</sup>. Car.  
selves of sundry Opinions, ( as hereafter ) the most dis-  
creetest of them procured a Pattent, first by my Lord of  
*Warwick*, from the Council of *New-Plymouth*, after in-  
larged by his Majesty to Sir *Will. Russel*, Mr. *Jo. Wyn-*  
*thrope*, and divers others, as may appear; by Authority  
whereof, and persons of so great Eminency and Quali-  
ty going, and Books of Incouragement dispersed over  
all *England*; they proceeded so well and effectually,  
that seven Ships were provided at the *Coufes* and *Hamp-*  
*ton*, and those parts, with all sorts of Provisions fit to  
fettle a New Colony in a New Country; divers good  
and godly people went, but divers under the Umbrel-  
la of Religion, in regard of the largeness of their Pat-  
tent, which was three Miles South of *Charles River*,  
three Miles North East of *Merimack*, and fifty Miles  
by Sea shore, 1629. Bounded by themselves, named  
it the Bound-House, yet to be seen; their Pattent had  
large Limits and Priviledges by Incorporation, as Cu-  
stom free for seven years, which other Pattents had not;  
yet they were tyed not to act contrary to the Laws, or  
any way repugnant to *England*; & other Acknowledg-  
ments, as may appear. Men of great Estates went, and  
many ventured deeply, great Sums of Money of Bene-  
volences gathered, at present about 700. l. per Annum, in  
Land yearly, for the converting the *Indians*, what done  
therein, the Lyon not so fierce, as painted Mr. *Rouses*  
Book will shew. Of persons of note went the Lady  
*Arabella*, Daughter to the Earl of *Lincoln*, and her  
Husband, Mr. *Isaac Johnson*; in honour of whom the  
Ship *Eagle*, the *Admiral*, was called the *Arabella*; so  
with.

with great Riches, Furniture, Provisions of all sorts, Trades-men, and Utensils for all Manufactures, people of all sorts went; *Portanter avarii Pigmationes opes pelago Dux, Faemena facti.*

*Relinquendo*, to leave their Native Country, *Religando*, to combine to settle at *Vtopia*, they safely arrived at *Salem*, and yearly great multitudes of People of all sorts went thither and resorted to them by Thousands; they fell to modelling of Government for *Church* and *Common-wealth*, gathering of Churches; as People came, they could not agree of points of Controversie in Religion; a most hideous Monster was born, of stupendious Forms and Shapes, which did prognosticate their Dissension; Mr. *Cotton* the Minister said in the Pulpit, it had as many Shapes as Tenents broached; so that some not agreeing were banished, and a Council, or a Conventicle held, a man might see a Speech, but a wise man would not regard the Punctilio's, as in occasion I shall say hereafter; there was such a Confusion, that the wisest were at a maze, and so many Complaints came to *England* against them, that it was doubtful in short time they would quite shake off the Royal Jurisdiction of *England* (as now) all the Ships stayed for going thither; all Objections against them were then answered by Mr. *Godfrey*, who lived remote from them, where all had then taken the Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy; so that upon his Plea, all the Ships were cleared. Thereby their Governour and others, held *Gratum Opus*, since ill rewarded. Mr. *John Wyntrope* was a worthy Patriot and Governour; his equal they may in time have, but a better will never come there; for since his death others also dead, and some returned to *England*, seeking ambitiously far



far beyond their power or abilities, as by so many Books Petitions, and Remonstrances against them may appear: So we may say as of *Rome*, *Behold of late O little Rome*, to what a greatness she is come; of *Boston* one poor Patent granted, but of late is now become a mighty State; never Horse nor man ere turned home bettered by the sight of *Rome*.

From *Boston* in the *American* Strands, none ere came bettered, except he came by Land, for too much power so far off, in such hands, seldome wants danger not to measure Jurisdiction by the length of their Swords; they may hold themselves wise, and turn others out for fools, (but now) *Che Tropo se stringe toto disleguea*; if of meek spirit, should have suffered others after thirty years possession, and never any Complaint there or here, and approved by themselves, as under all their hands will appear. If Royal or Loyal Subjects, should have emulated who should have given the best account of all their Transactions, and suffered Appeals and Judication for *England*, and assisted one the other, if they will acknowledge *Englands* power: If it be but weakness in some Men, as a sublimated Coach-man from the Box to the Bench, and Plow to Pulpit; a Taylor of two, and the like, with the mecannick Grandee Laymans Deputy, to stritch so large as to act contrary to *Jus Gentium Lex*, Law of our own Country, or *Concellarum* Contience, to pass Sentence before Plea or Judication, to inrich some turbulent men of low condition and less breeding; as one answered about the Book of *Common-Prayer*, he shewed them that could read, the 29. *Eccles.* How can he get wisdom that holdeth the Plow, &c. such should not sit high in the Congregation, &c. They may do well in time to submit, and for

73 wrongs done, make satisfaction or acknowledgment, as 22. years passed their *Pattent* was sued to a *Quo Warranto*, and sent for; if thirty more *Queries* be added, as for instance three or four, denying Appeals, Printing, Coining, and that his Majesties Coyn from 12 d. to 9 d. the Jurisdiction of Admiralty, *English* Col-  
lors.

23 By such proceedings the Country is held despicable, and an Odium cast on it, by the most unjust and unadvised proceeding of one particular *Pattent* and place of *Boston*, which if others have their Rights, is not one 6th. part of the Country, and but one of thirty other *Pat-  
tents*, by the sad distractions of the Times; here divers Ministers went thither for the good of the Cause, as they said, returned for the Loaves sake, as Mr. *Hugh Peters*, with twenty more of his Tribe; and some other men of great esteem, as Sir *Henry Vane*, Sir *R. Saltenstal*, and an Agmen of men of all sorts, all highly preferred in Church, State, Army, Navy, Custom-house. &c. and some of no Literature, to preach, and Beneficed, and plundering here violently; it has a worm in the root in this time, the ablest Ministers and Magistrates dead, and some gone. There is some good Gentlement yet, as Mr. *Indicoat*, Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Denison*, but they have no power, the Country act as a Free State, the Deputies first, they as the Ministers will; so if the Ministers and Deputies enter on mens Estates and Lands, as they have done, as I shall shew, and subjugate all other *Pattents*, & make them Town-ships; We that first ventured must petition; our sometimes Servants to be good to their Masters Children; what Law can we have or expect that be of the Church of *England*, they *Independants*, so our Antagonists, incom-  
petent



petent Judges, being parties in action, and opposite in Religion : Let it be observed, that if in ten years they came to this height, what in these twenty, having so enriched themselves in Wealth, Strength, and Fortifications, that if they Fortifie *Pascataqua* River for themselves, as they have subjugated it, and now Arm against the *Dutch* *New Neatherland*, with their united Colonies, they may be the invincible States in *America*. If any object the contrary, I shall make it appear; let Major *Robert Sedgwick*, & Capt. *Leveret*, *Nova Scotia* *France*, Business be a president, for the difficulty, charges, and danger, if not in time prevented, may be more obnoxious to *England*, than ever the *Hollander* was to the *King of Spain*. All the power is in the *Independant* way, yet three to one out; and his Majesty has to my knowledg as Loyal Subjects as any in *England*: in short time they will be in Confusion in themselves, the Country wholesome, pleasant; and if good Society and *English* Government were there, people would rather live there than in *Africk*, *Greece*, *Italy*, *France*, *Spain*, or *England*; it transcends all the *Baltick Seas*, and affords all or any Commodity they have, & more plenty of sundry sorts, and of more concernment to his Majesty, than if all the *Baltick Seas* were annexed to his Empire; as in a short Epitomy and Anotomy of those Countries, from *New-found-land* to *Cape Florida*, with the Mapps and Cards shall appear, with Collections of 55. years Pilgrimage: it is want of Charity in the *Independant* Ministers, the Commons are possessed they are all *Israelites*, and we *Egyptians*, of the Orthodox and true Church of *England*, and reject old Planters that made way for them; Mr. *Sa. Maverick* for one, the most Hospitable for entertainment of People of all sorts, *A-*



*merica* afforded not, nor does she like, yet never free  
of Avenues and troubles to many, some Life, Imprison-  
ment, Illegal Subversion, and Usurping others Rights:  
I could wish they had so much Charity as *Turk* or *Ro-  
mish*, do as you would be done to: no Salvation with-  
out Restitution if able, not so much such as *Israelites*  
and *Egyptians*, and not to reward evil for good: If this  
is too short or tart, I shall be more copious with their  
proceedings with us, whom you call, without Authen-  
ticated, by proceeding of their Courts, with their Magi-  
strates Hands; and though you have some good, godly,  
and able Ministers, some are to be blamed for irreve-  
rend speaking against ours, and they worse.

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